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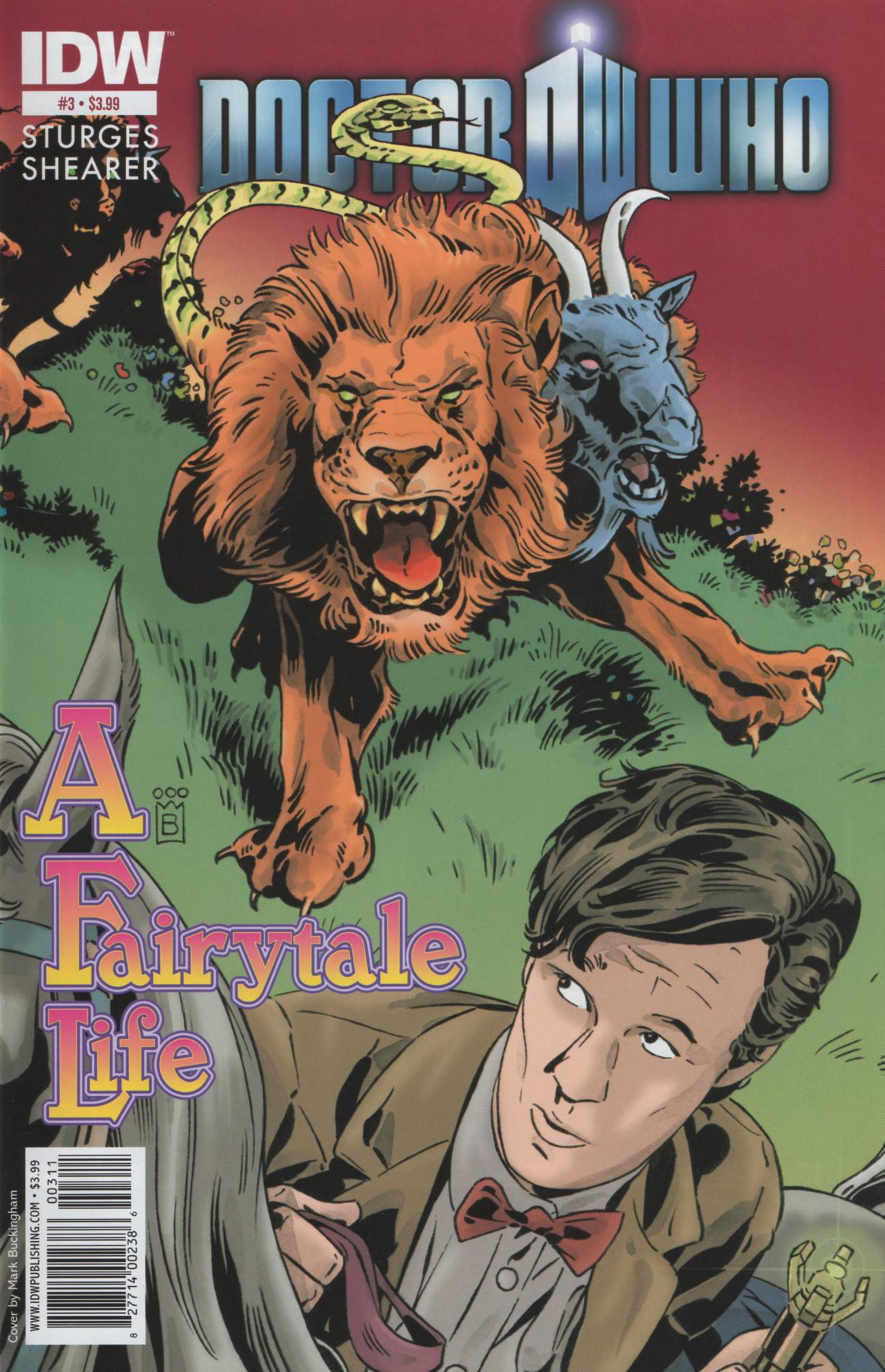
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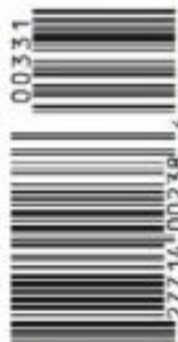
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Part 3 of 4

The story so far

The Doctor and Amy have arrived on the holiday planet of Caligaris Epsilon Six, expecting a totally immersive fairytale experience. But the experience swiftly becomes a bit too real when they're chased by knights, when they lose the TARDIS, and when Amy falls ill and is abducted by a menacing flying monster known as a Serpentine! Taken to the so-called Dread Tower, she's strapped down by robots and told that there's no cure for her illness, and as a result... she's going to have to die.

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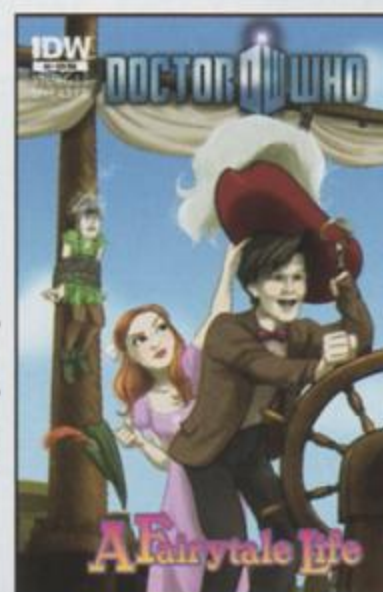
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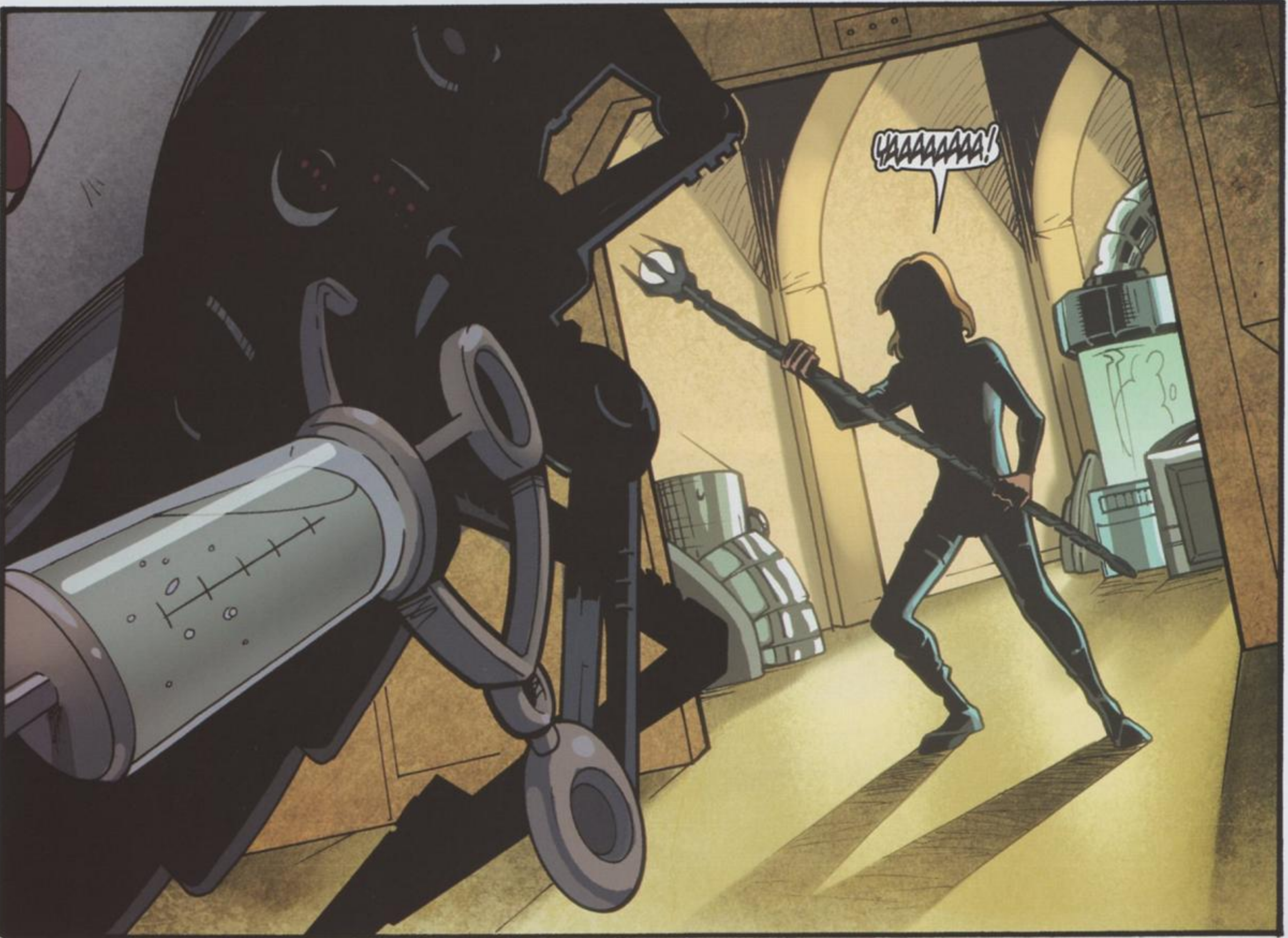
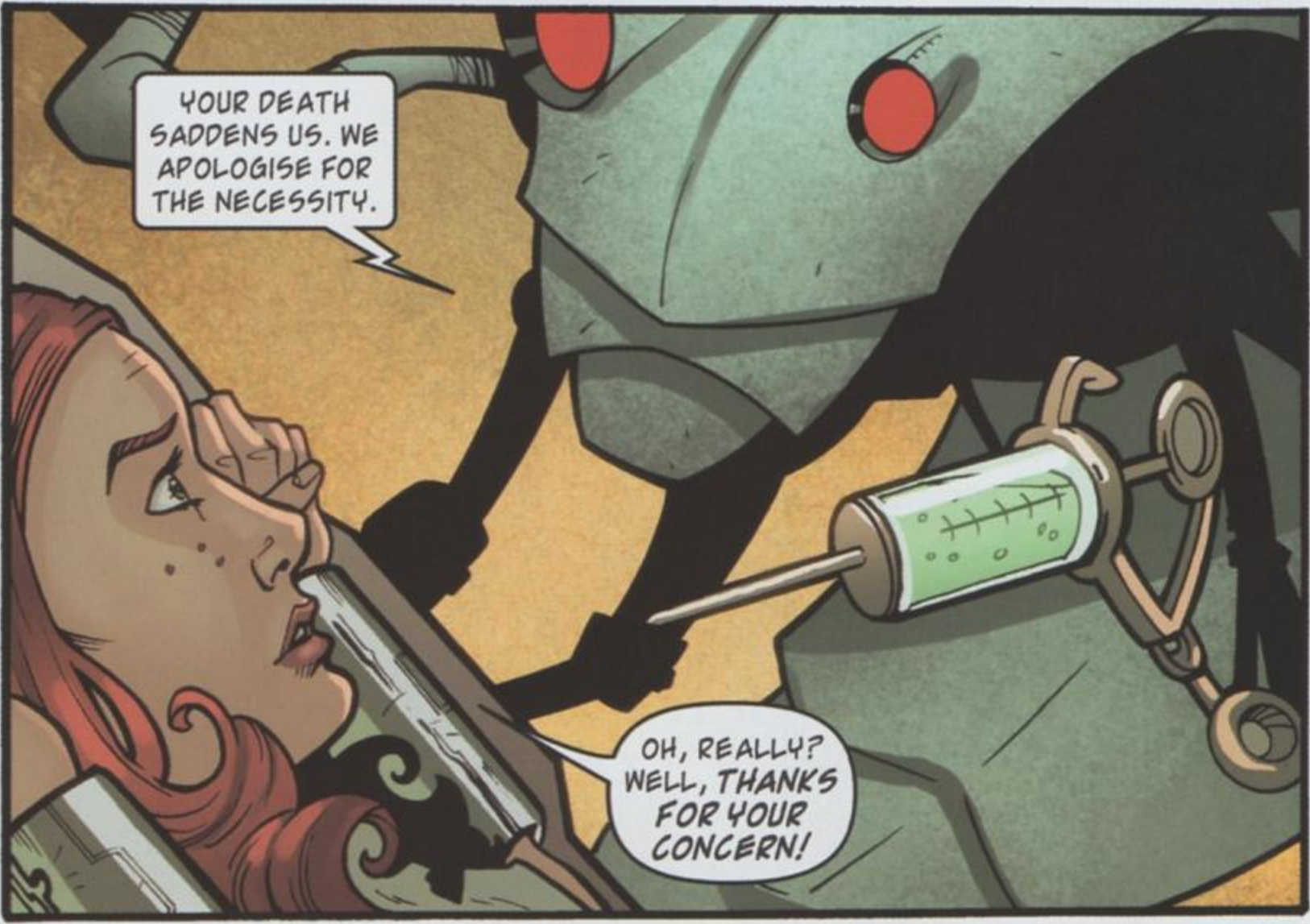
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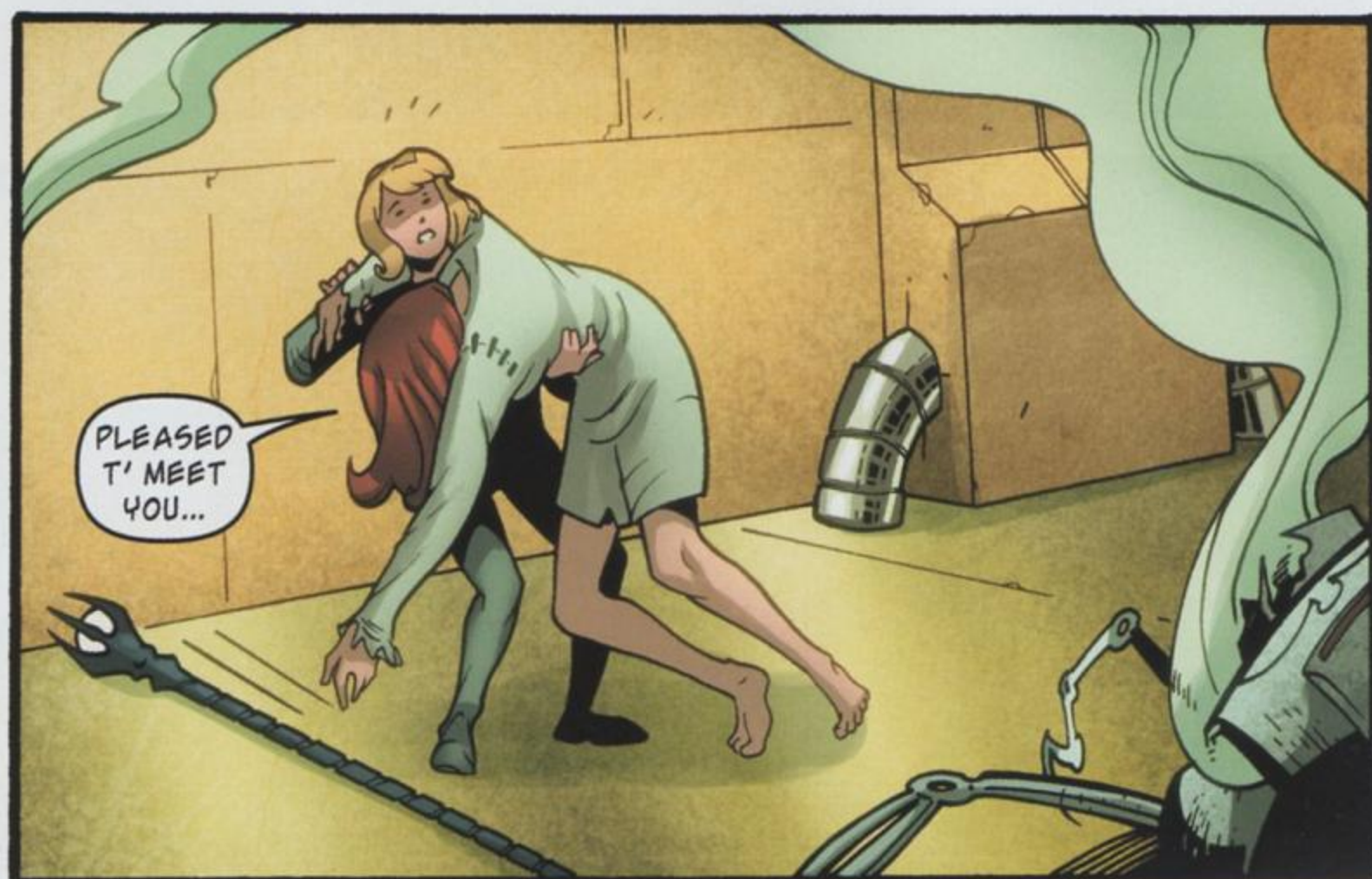
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ARISE,
DOCTOR!

THE SUN
IS UP AND WE
MAY SAFELY
DEPART!



WHAT IS
THAT?

YES, YES,
I'VE BEEN UP
FOR AGES. JUST
ABOUT DONE
HERE.



THIS IS
A DUCK.



YES, BUT
WHAT HAVE
YOU DONE
TO IT?

OH, DON'T
WORRY. IT'S NOT A
PROPER DUCK. IT'S A...
WELL, I SUPPOSE
YOU'D CALL IT A
MAGIC DUCK.

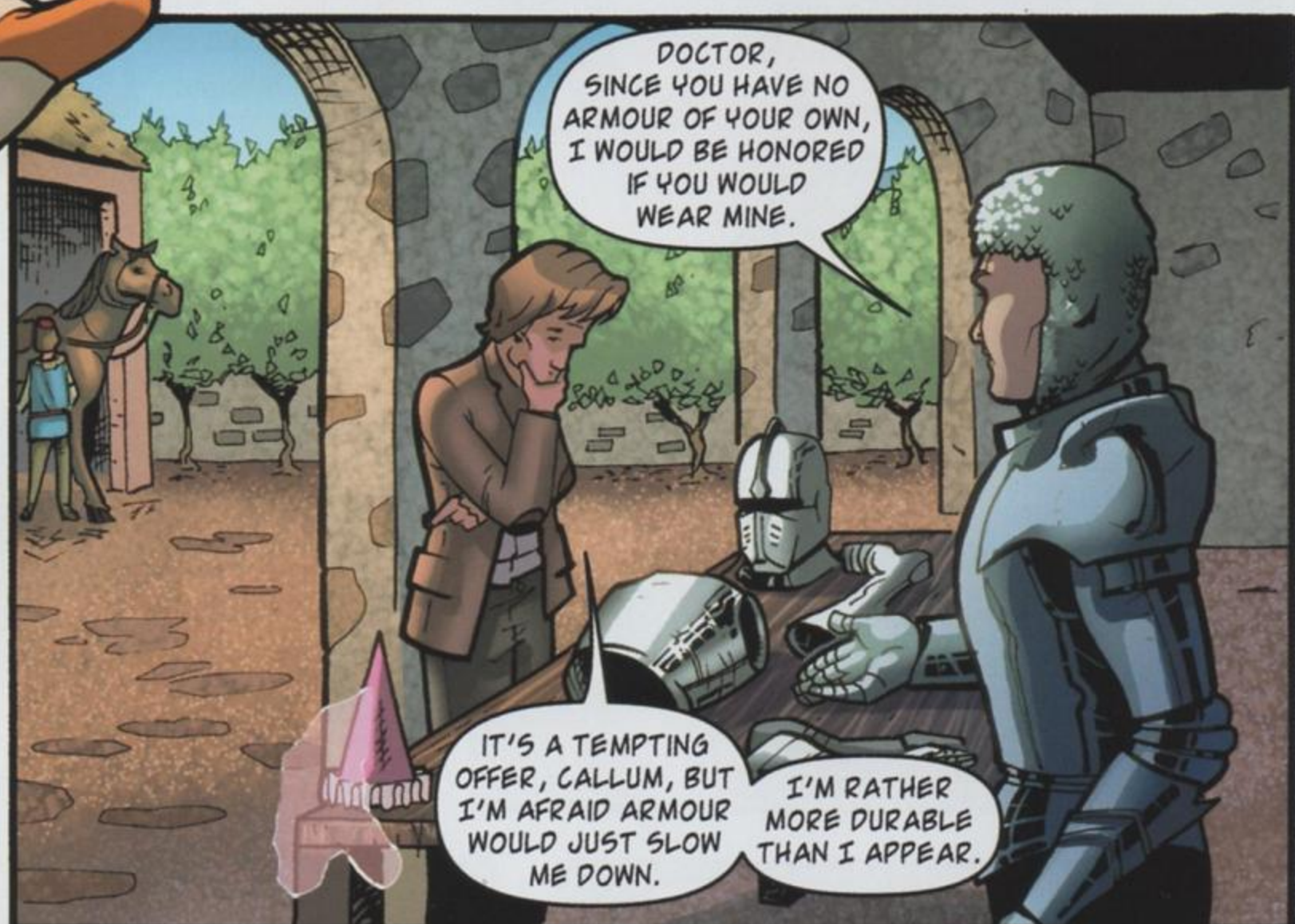


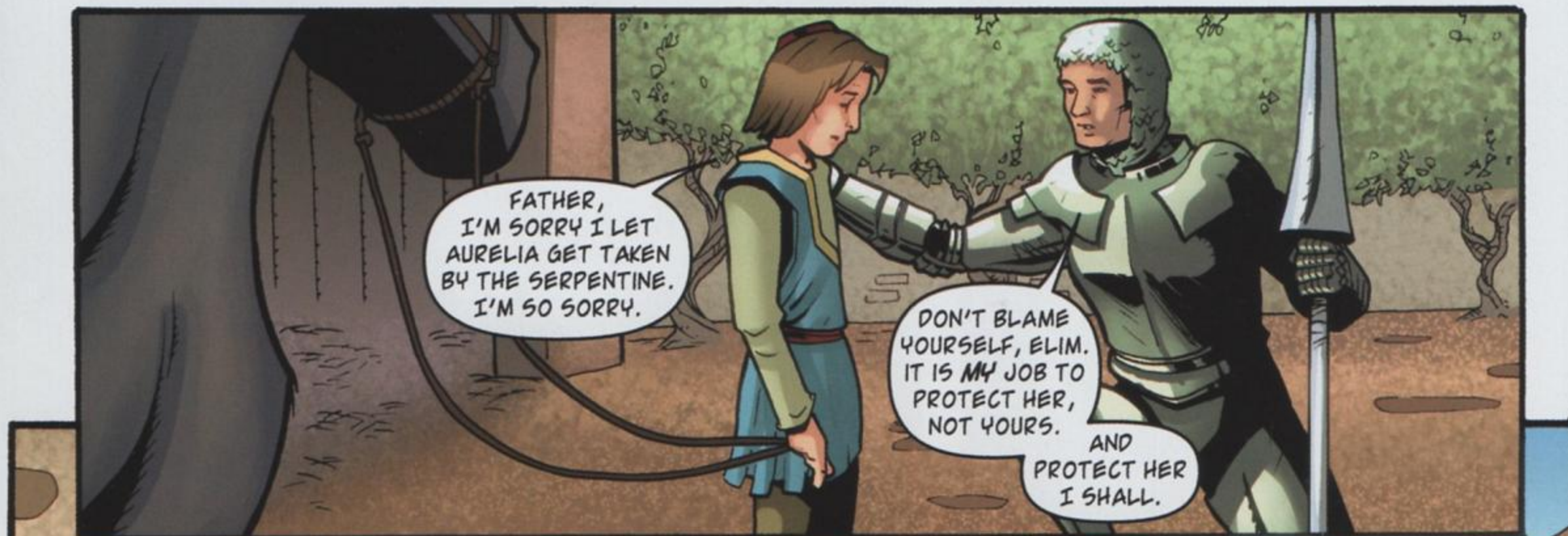
YOU SEE,
I'VE REWIRED IT SO
THAT IT CAN ACT AS
A TRANSCIVER. AND
I'VE ENHANCED ITS
OLFACTORY RECEPTORS
BY A FACTOR OF A
THOUSAND.

I'VE ALSO
MADE IT A TINY
BIT SENTIENT—
DON'T TELL
ANYONE.



I'VE
ALSO MADE
BISCUITS.







SIR CALLUM,
I AM HERE TO
ARREST THE
DOCTOR FOR THE
MURDER OF THE
SMITH, OSRIC.

YOU ARE
BOTH TO ACCOMPANY
ME TO THE CASTLE
IMMEDIATELY.



I AM
SADDENED TO
HEAR OF THE
MAN'S DEATH,
GWYDION.

BUT THE
DOCTOR **CANNOT** BE
RESPONSIBLE—THERE
MUST BE SOME OTHER
EXPLANATION.

THAT IS
FOR THE KING TO
DECIDE, NOT I. I
MUST INSIST THAT
YOU BOTH COME
WITH ME.

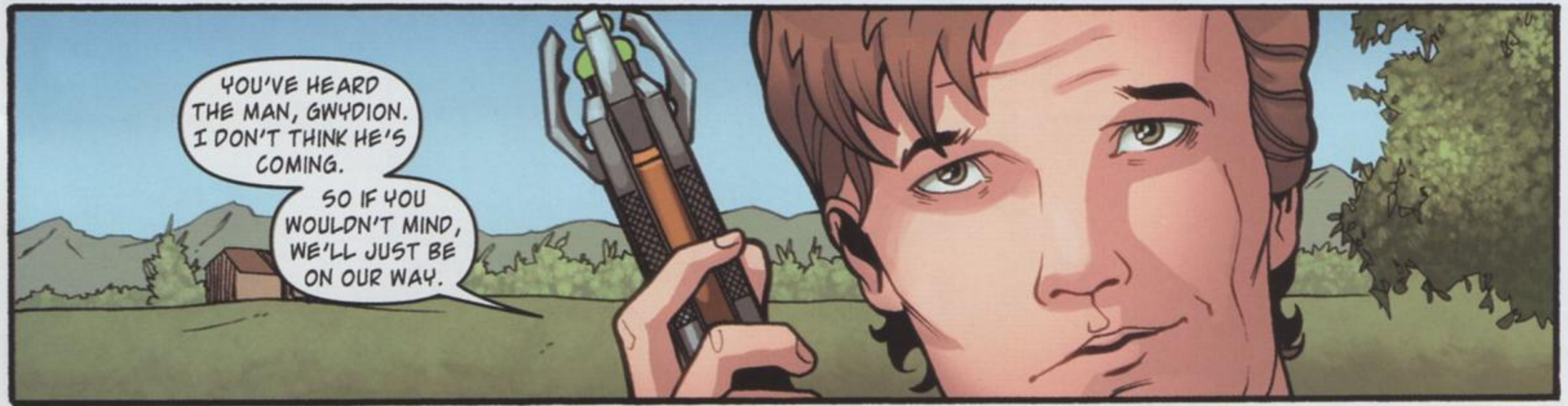


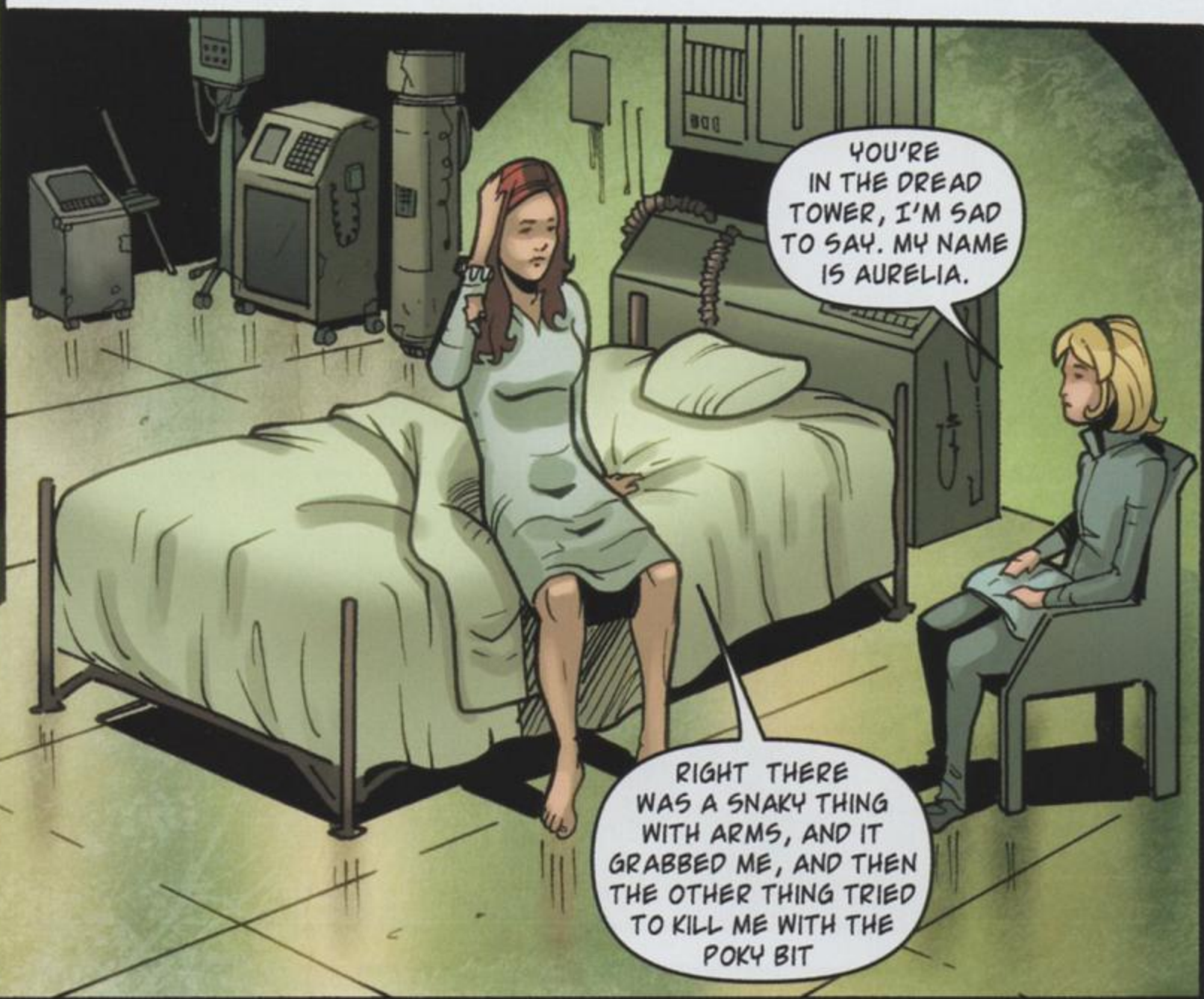
THE DOCTOR
AND I ARE RIDING
OUT, TO THE DREAD
TOWER, TO RESCUE
THOSE WE HAVE
LOST

I WILL
PRESENT MYSELF
FOR WHATEVER
PUNISHMENT HIS
MAJESTY WISHES
ONCE I HAVE
RETURNED. BUT NOT
UNTIL THEN.



I CANNOT
ALLOW THAT,
SIR CALLUM.
COME WITH ME.
NOW.





SOON.

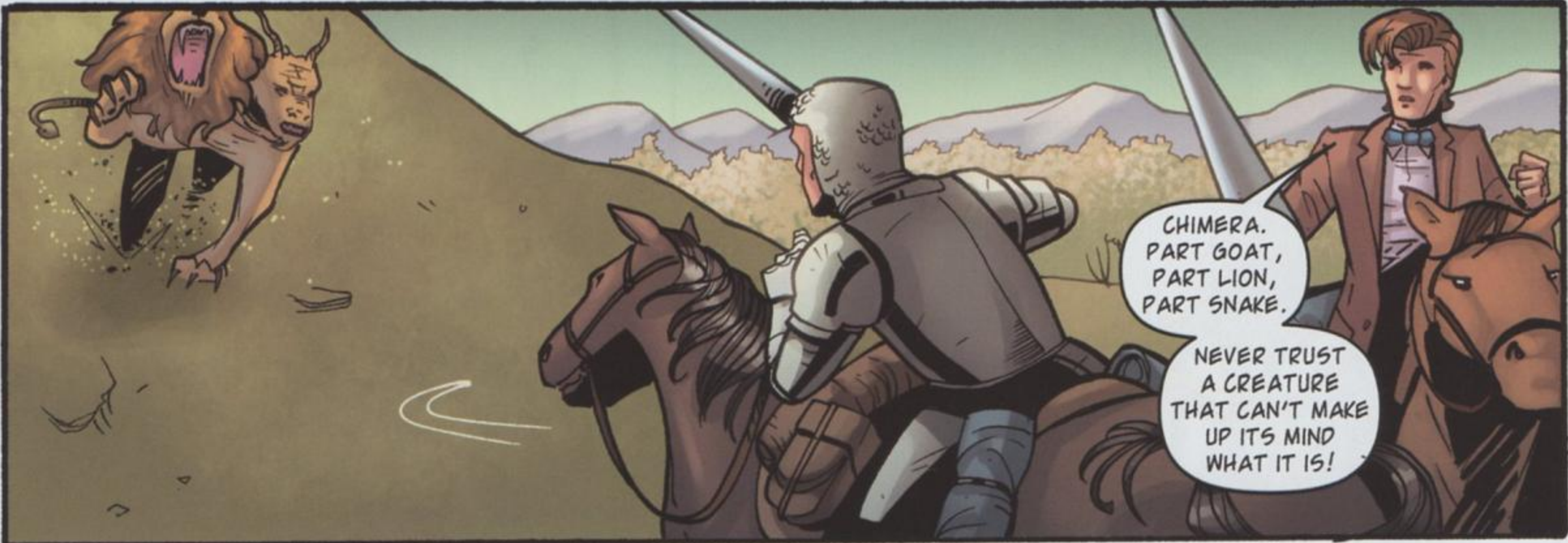
WHOA.

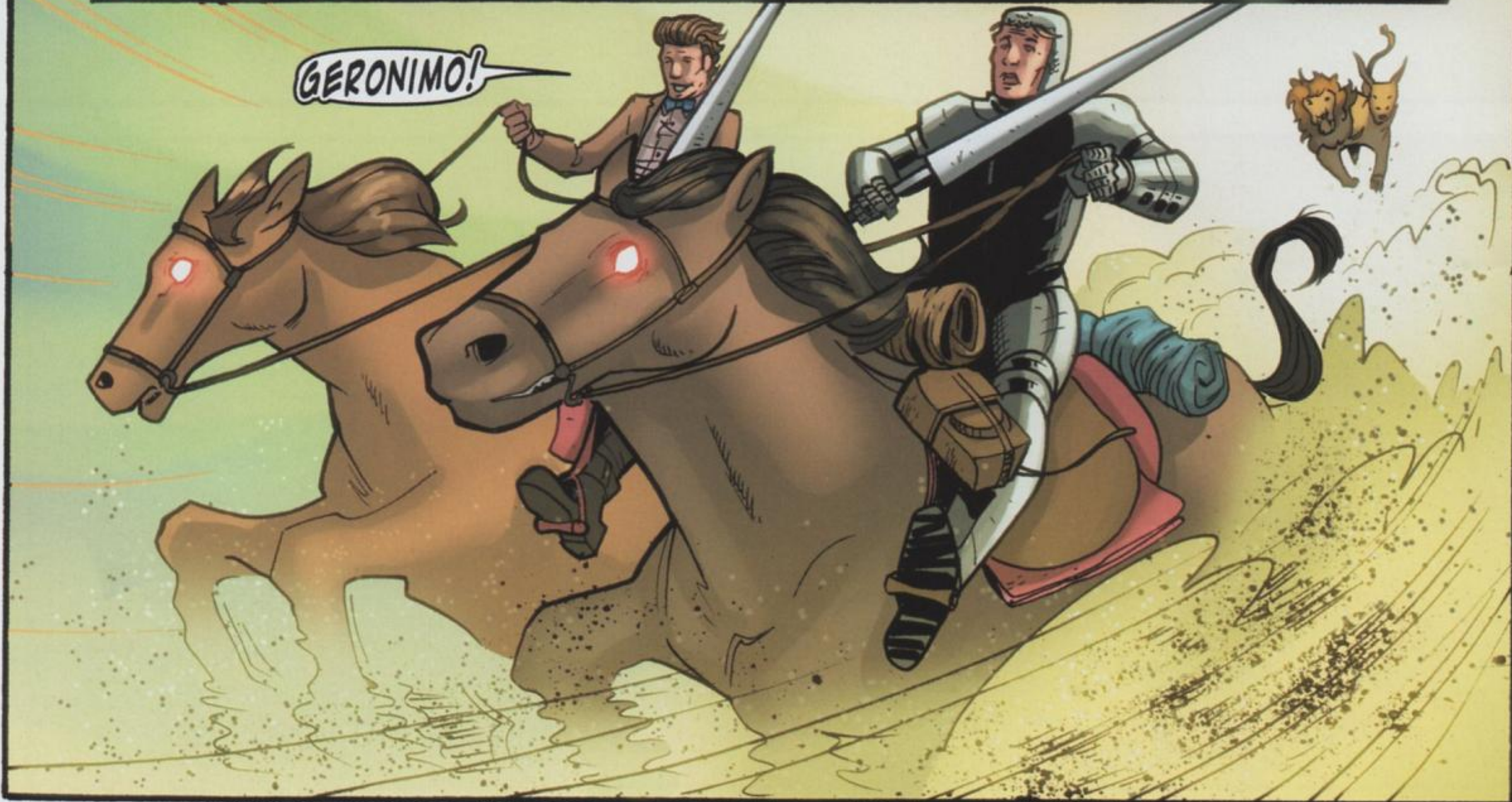
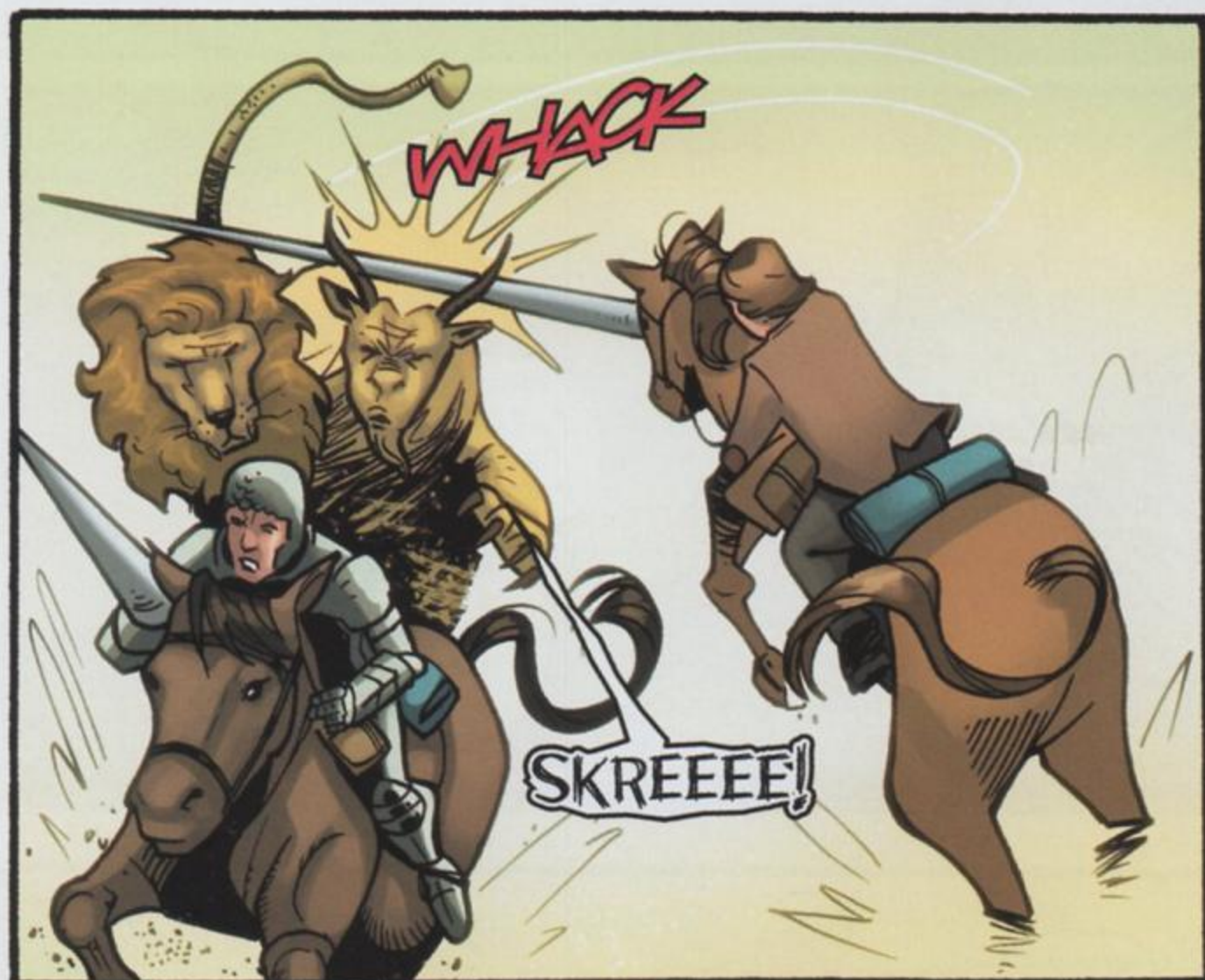
HELLO, YOUNG LADY. MY NAME IS ORA.

WE ARE THE PEOPLE OF THE TOWER.

I AM SAD TO INFORM YOU THAT YOU ARE ONE OF US NOW.









THERE'S GOT TO BE A WAY OUT OF HERE, ORA. THERE'S GOT TO!

SOME HAVE TRIED, BUT ALL HAVE FAILED. THE DARK MAGIC THAT KEEPS US HERE IS INSURMOUNTABLE.

THERE ARE DANGERS BEYOND ANYONE'S KEN LURKING IN THIS TOWER.



WELL NOW, HERE'S THE DIFFERENCE. OUTSIDE THESE WALLS IS MY... PARTNER. WHO'S GOING TO BE ALONG SHORTLY.

HE'S CALLED THE DOCTOR AND HE'S BRILLIANT, AND WITH HIS ASSISTANCE, I'M GOING TO GET US ALL OUT OF HERE.



AND IS THIS DOCTOR A WIZARD? A KNIGHT?

NOT EXACTLY. HE'S MORE OF A—



HELLO, AMY!



HELLO... DOCTOR.









DOCTOR!
WE'VE MADE IT!
THE OBJECT OF
OUR QUEST!

YES, THAT'S
TRUE. BUT I HAVE
A SUSPICION YOU'RE
NOT GOING TO LIKE
WHAT YOU SEE ON
THE OTHER SIDE OF
THAT GATE.

I FEAR
THE ILLUSIONS
YOU HAVE ABOUT
THIS WORLD ARE
ABOUT TO BE
SHATTERED.



I ADMIT THAT
I HAD MY DOUBTS
ABOUT YOU AT FIRST,
DOCTOR, BUT YOU'VE
PROVEN YOURSELF A
MAN OF COURAGE ON
THIS JOURNEY.

ALL IN A
DAY'S WORK
FOR ME, I'M
AFRAID.



I WOULD BE
PROUD TO CALL
YOU FRIEND,
DOCTOR.

AND
WHEN WE RETURN
TRIUMPHANTLY TO
THE CITY, I SHALL
REQUEST THAT YOU
BE KNIGHTED.

OH, I'M
ALREADY A
KNIGHT TWICE
OVER, IN
FACT

ONCE BY
VICTORIA AND
ONCE AGAIN BY
ELIZABETH THE
FIRST



OF COURSE,
WITH ELIZABETH, IT
WAS GRANTED FOR
MORE... INTIMATE
REASONS.

DOCTOR!
THE GATE
OPENS!

RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE

RRRRWARRRRR!





NEXT MONTH: THE CONCLUSION!

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